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Preliminary Agenda

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
DOUGLAS COUNTY, NEBRASKA**

**TUESDAY, December 21, 2021
LEGISLATIVE CHAMBER, OMAHA-DOUGLAS CIVIC CENTER
1819 FARNAM, OMAHA, NE**

9:00 a.m.

As provided by *Neb. Rev. Stat. §84-1411(6)* a public body may allow a member of the public or any witness to appear before the public body by means of virtual conferencing.

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Pledge of Allegiance

NOTE TO CITIZENS:

***--Any agenda item may be moved at any time at the discretion of the
Chair of the Board of County Commissioners--***

--An Automatic External Defibrillator is available on the back wall of the Legislative Chambers--

RULES OF DEBATE

- A.** On items requiring discussion/action, the process for debate is as follows:
- 1.** The introducer of the item may speak up to five minutes when he or she first presents the item to the Board of Commissioners.
 - 2.** The Board will hear from proponents and then opponents (citizens are encouraged not to repeat previous comment/testimony). No additional comment/testimony will be permitted unless a Board member requests additional information.
 - 3.** The introduced item shall be motioned and seconded to proceed to debate.
 - 4.** Each Commissioner shall be allowed to speak on introduced item up to two times for no more than five minutes.
 - 5.** The introducer of the item shall be permitted five minutes to close debate.
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AGENDA
FOR
DOUGLAS COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION
(9:00 a.m.)

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Roll Call

- A. Approval of the minutes of the Board of Equalization meeting held Tuesday, December 14, 2021. [\(See Attached\)](#)
- B. Call for a meeting and set **Tuesday, January 11, 2022**, as date for hearing on Certified Assessment Corrections reflecting the addition of omitted property to the tax rolls or increased value on property.
- C. **CITIZENS COMMENTS:** *This is an opportunity for members of the audience to be heard at this time for a maximum of **5 minutes** on any topic not on the agenda as it relates to the governance of Douglas County. However, under the Open Meetings Act, agenda items should give reasonable notice of the matters to be considered by the Board so that the public will know which matters are under consideration. As a result, Commissioners will not engage in discussions, conversations, debates or take action on any item presented during Citizen Comments. If a citizen wishes to engage a Commissioner or the Board in a discussion, conversation, debate or have the Board take action, that citizen will follow up with County Administration or the Commissioner of their District and seek to have the item placed on a future agenda for discussion and/or action as appropriate. During Citizen Comments, the Chair will keep order and a citizen may be called "out of order" for disruptive conduct or behavior.*

RESOLUTIONS:

- D. Approving corrections to Personal Property affecting the tax list based on taxpayer submitted personal property returns, amend returns, clerical error or changes to status of business. (Assessor/Register of Deeds) [\(See Attached\)](#)
- E. Approving application for Tax Exemptions Form 453 on motor vehicles recommended for approval by the County Treasurer. [\(See Attached\)](#)
- F. Approving applications for Tax Exemptions Form 457 on motor vehicles recommended for approval by the County Treasurer. [\(See Attached\)](#)

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

We reserve the right to enter an executive session in order to protect the public interest with respect to discussion regarding labor negotiations, litigation and personnel.

ADJOURN

AGENDA
FOR
DOUGLAS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
(Immediately following the conclusion of the Board of Equalization meeting)

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Roll Call

I. MINUTES AND CLAIMS:

- A. Approval of minutes of the Board of Commissioners' meeting held Tuesday, December 14, 2021. [\(See Attached\)](#)

**Minutes from the Pre-Board meeting Monday, December 13, 2021, are available.*
[\(See Attached\)](#)

- B. Approval of claims submitted for payment processed through Tuesday, December 21, 2021. Complete listing is on file in the office of the County Clerk/Comptroller and available on the Douglas County Clerk/Comptroller's web page at:

<http://www.douglascountyclerk.org/supplierchecks>

- C. Approval of resolution authorizing Clerk/Comptroller to make certain payments while the Board is adjourned sine die. (Daniel A. Esch, Douglas County Clerk/Comptroller)
[\(See Attached\)](#)

II. CONSENT AGENDA: *Any individual item may be removed by a Commissioner for special discussion and consideration. Unless there is an exception, these items will be approved as one with a single vote of the Board of Commissioners.*

- A. Approving and consenting Douglas County Election Commissioner Brian W. Kruse as authorized until January 1, 2024 to enter into usage or rental agreements when designating polling places for elections. (Brian W. Kruse, Election Commission)
[\(See Attached\)](#)
- B. Resolution increasing the compensation of Deputy County Attorney Joshua R. Woolf effective December 27, 2021. (\$8,329.76 – Budgeted) (Theresa M. Urich, Douglas County Attorney's Office) [\(See Attached\)](#)
- C. Resolution approving the appointment and fixing the compensation of Daniel M. Donnelly as a Deputy County Attorney for Douglas County effective January 3, 2022. (\$86,000 – Budgeted) (Theresa M. Urich, Douglas County Attorney's Office)
[\(See Attached\)](#)
- D. Tom Doyle, Douglas County Engineer – requests approval of the following:
1. Right of Way Acquisition for Warranty Deed (\$3,600.00) and fence and landscape damages (\$16,700.00) Tract 5 for Country Project C-28(590) 66th Street Improvements. (\$20,300.00 - Budgeted) [\(See Attached\)](#)
 2. Internal Roadways Agreement with Skyline Ridge Estates, LLC to cause the public street improvements within Serenity Estates Subdivision to be constructed in accordance with County plans and specifications. [\(See Attached\)](#)

3. Advertise for sealed bids on County Project C-28(590) 66th Street Improvements, Northern Hills Drive to Twin Brooks Plaza, bids to be opened Wednesday, January 26, 2022 at 11:00 a.m. in the Legislative Chambers of the Douglas Civic Center. [\(See Attached\)](#)
- E. Agreement with Learning For All to facilitate GED and ABE classes at Douglas County Department of Corrections. (\$48,960.00 – Budgeted) (Justine Wall, Department of Corrections) [\(See Attached\)](#)
- F. Resolution authorizing the Chair to accept documents for the 2021 OJJDP FY 2021 Comprehensive Youth Violence Prevention and Reduction Program Grant. (Lisa Daubman, County Administration) [\(See Attached\)](#)
- G. Resolution authorizing the Chair to accept documents for the 2021 BJA FY 21 The Justice and Mental Health Collaboration Program Grant. (Lisa Daubman, County Administration) [\(See Attached\)](#)
- H. Resolution to approve “Demand for Refunds.” (\$55,997.90 – Budgeted) (Property Tax Division – Treasurer) [\(See Attached\)](#)
- I. Dr. Lindsay Huse, Health Department Director – requests approval of the following:
 1. Agreement with the Nebraska Department of Health & Human Services, Public Health Office of Emergency Preparedness and Response through June 30, 2022. (\$82,261.00 – Budgeted) [\(See Attached\)](#)
 2. Agreement with the Nebraska Department of Health & Human Services, Division of Public Health Sexually Transmitted Infections Prevention Program through December 31, 2021. (\$207,581.00 – Budgeted) [\(See Attached\)](#)
 3. Resolution to renew the terms for Dr. Marty Wilken, Comm. Chris Rodgers, and Dr. Keyonna King to the Board of Health through December 31, 2024. [\(See Attached\)](#)
- J. Resolution approving a labor agreement between Douglas County and the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW) and Local #1483 union representing covered Douglas County supervisory employees for a four-year period between January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2024. (Budgeted) (Marcos San Martin, County Administration) [\(See Attached\)](#)
- K. Approve Medical Stop Loss Proposal renewing coverage with HM Life Insurance Company. (\$439,860 – Budgeted) (Colleen Fredrickson, Human Resources) [\(See Attached\)](#)

III. RECOGNITION/PROCLAMATIONS:

- A. Resolution-Proclamation acknowledging **Lawrence Miller**, Chief Office Deputy for his retirement after 15 years of service with the Douglas County Assessor/Register of Deeds Office. (Diane Battiato, Assessor/Register of Deeds) [\(See Attached\)](#)
- B. Recognition of the following County Employee retired: **Robert Hrdy** worked for the Douglas County Engineering Department for 15 years. (Karen Buche, Civil Service/HR) [\(See Attached\)](#)

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V. **PRESENTATIONS:**

- A. COVID-19 Update and COVID-19 Vaccination Plan Update presented by Dr. Lindsay Huse. (Commissioners Mary Ann Borgeson and Chris Rodgers) [\(See Attached\)](#)
- B. Update on Project NExT program at the University of Nebraska Medical Center. (Chancellor Dr. Jeff Gold) (Commissioner Mary Ann Borgeson) [\(See Attached\)](#)
- C. Justice Center Project Programs and Project Update: Presenters Kim Hawekotte and George Achola. (Commissioner Mary Ann Borgeson) [\(See Attached\)](#)

VI. **PUBLIC HEARING:**

- A. Public Hearing for Class # C-124623 License (Beer, Wine, Distilled Spirits, On and Off Sale) for Jeff Vollmer Inc. dba Bennington Farms, 16102 Highway 36, Bennington, NE 68007, and Manager Application for Jeff Vollmer, 14202 Pawnee Road, Bennington, NE 68007. (**Action can be taken today.**) [\(See Attached\)](#)

VII. **COMMITTEE DISCUSSION/ACTION:**

A. **FINANCE:**

Commissioners PJ Morgan and Mike Friend, Co-chairs

- 1. Budget Report. (Budget and Finance Director) [\(See Attached\)](#)
- 2. Resolution approving payment from ARPA funding to Public Building Commission for COVID-19 related cleaning of County offices and department. (\$24,859.92 – Budgeted) (Joe Lorenz, County Finance Director) [\(See Attached\)](#)

B. **ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES:**

Commissioner Roger Garcia, Chair

C. **CHILD AND YOUTH SERVICES:**

Commissioner Chris Rodgers, Chair

D. **COMMUNITY SERVICES:**

Commissioner Maureen Boyle, Chair

E. CRIMINAL JUSTICE:

Commissioner Mike Friend, Chair

F. HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES:

Commissioner James Cavanaugh, Chair

G. HUMAN RESOURCES:

Commissioner Mary Ann Borgeson, Chair

1. Weekly Personnel Report from Civil Service. [\(See Attached\)](#)

2. Legislative issues. [\(See Attached\)](#)

Note: The Douglas County Board of Commissioners reserves the right to discuss and/or take action on any legislation, resolution or study, pending consideration by the state legislature. Such information may be viewed at the following address (this data is maintained by the Unicameral Information Office):

<http://nebraskalegislature.gov>

- a. *Other legislation*

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ADJOURN

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NOTICE

The last scheduled meeting in 2021 for the Douglas County Board of Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, December 21, 2021, at 9:00 a.m.

The first scheduled meeting in 2022 of the Douglas County Board of Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, January 11, 2022, at 9:00 a.m.